

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-17 (Canceled).

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): A data processing apparatus[[,]] comprising:

a reception unit adapted to receive data designated to a plurality of receivers, from a transmission side;

a notification unit adapted to notify the plurality of receivers that said reception unit received the data;

a transmission unit adapted to transmit information representing a notification result by said notification unit, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception unit was transmitted;

a selection unit adapted to select one of a first mode and a second mode; and

a determining unit adapted to determine whether a predetermined time has been reached or not,

wherein said transmission unit, in the first mode, transmits one by one information representing the notification results corresponding to each of receivers by said notification unit regardless of a determination by said determining unit, and in the second mode, transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for the receivers by said notification unit at the time when said determining unit determines that the predetermined time has been reached.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 18, wherein, in a case where the first mode is selected by said selection unit, said transmission unit transmits the information representing the notification result for one receiver at one communication.

Claim 20 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 18, wherein said notification unit notifies the receivers which are designated by the transmission side that said reception unit received the data.

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 18, wherein a case where the notification by said notification unit was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): A data processing apparatus [[,]] comprising:
a reception unit adapted to receive data designated to a receiver, from a transmission side;
a notification unit adapted to notify the receiver that said reception unit received the data;
a transmission unit adapted to transmit information representing a notification result by said notification unit, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception unit was transmitted;

a setting unit adapted to set whether the transmission of the information representing the notification result by said transmission unit based on an instruction by said data processing apparatus side is to be permitted or not,

wherein a setting result by said setting unit is notified to the transmission side,
and

wherein said transmission unit does not transmit the information representing the notification result until said reception unit receives a request from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception unit was transmitted in a case where said setting unit sets the transmission is not to be permitted, and transmits the information representing the notification result even without the request from the transmission side in a case where said setting unit sets the transmission is to be permitted.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said setting unit sets one of a first mode and a second mode and said transmission unit performs the transmission in accordance with the mode set by said setting unit.

Claim 24 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 23, wherein in the first mode, said transmission unit transmits one by one the information representing the notification results for a plurality of receivers by said notification unit by plural-time communications, and in the second mode said transmission unit transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for a plurality of receivers by said notification unit by one-time communication.

Claim 25 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said transmission unit generates a call on the basis of destination information included in the data received by said reception unit.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein said notification unit notifies the receiver which is designated by the transmission side that said reception unit received the data.

Claim 27 (Previously Presented): An apparatus according to claim 22, wherein a case where the notification by said notification unit was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

Claim 28 (Previously Presented): A control method of a data processing apparatus, said method comprising:

a reception step of receiving data designated to a plurality of receivers, from a transmission side;

a notification step of notifying the plurality of receivers that the data is received in said reception step;

a transmission step of transmitting information representing a notification result in said notification step, to the transmission side from which the data received in said reception step was transmitted;

a selection step of selecting one of a first mode and a second mode; and

a determining step of determining whether a predetermined time has been reached or not,

wherein said transmission step, in the first mode, transmits one by one the information representing the notification results corresponding to each of receivers by said notification step regardless of a determination by said determining step, and in the second mode, transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for the receivers by said notification step at the time when said determining step determines that the predetermined time has been reached.

Claim 29 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 28, wherein, in a case where the first mode is selected in said selection step, said transmission step transmits the information representing the notification result for one receiver at one communication.

Claim 30 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 28, wherein said notification step notifies the receivers which are designated by the transmission side that the data was received in said reception step.

Claim 31 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 28, wherein in a case where the notification in said notification step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

Claim 32 (Previously Presented): A control method of data processing apparatus, said method comprising:

a reception step of receiving data designated to a receiver, from a transmission side;

a notification step of notifying the receiver that the data is received in said reception step;

a transmission step of transmitting information representing a notification result in said notification step, to the transmission side from which the data received in said reception step was transmitted;

a setting step of setting whether the transmission of the information representing the notification result by said transmission step based on an instruction by said data processing apparatus side is to be permitted or not,

wherein a setting result by said setting step is notified to the transmission side, and

wherein said transmission step does not transmit the information representing the notification result until said reception step receives a request from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception step was transmitted in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is not to be permitted, and transmits the information representing the notification result even without the request from the transmission side in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is to be permitted.

Claim 33 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 32, wherein said setting step sets one of a first mode and a second mode, and said transmission step performs the transmission in accordance with the mode set in said setting step.

Claim 34 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 33, wherein in the first mode said transmission step transmits one by one the information representing the notification results for a plurality of receivers in said notification step by plural-time communications, and in the second mode said transmission step transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for a plurality of receivers in said notification step by one-time communication.

Claim 35 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 32, wherein said transmission step generates a call on the basis of destination information included in the data received in said reception step.

Claim 36 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 32, wherein said notification step notifies the receiver which is designated by the transmission side that the data was received in said reception step.

Claim 37 (Previously Presented): A method according to claim 32, wherein a case where the notification in said notification step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

Claim 38 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable medium encoded with a computer-readable program to be used by a data processing apparatus, the program when executed by the data processing apparatus performing processes comprising:

a reception step of receiving data designated to a plurality of receivers, from a transmission side;

a notification step of notifying the plurality of receivers that said reception step received the data;

a transmission step of transmitting information representing a notification result by said notification step, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception step was transmitted;

a selection step of selecting one of a first mode and a second mode; and

a determining step of determining whether a predetermined time has been reached or not,

wherein said transmission step, in the first mode, transmits one by one information representing the notification results corresponding to each of receivers by said notification step regardless of a determination by said determining step, and in the second mode, transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for the receivers by said notification step at the time when said determining step determines that the predetermined time has been reached.

Claim 39 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 38, wherein, in a case where the first mode is selected by said selection step, said transmission step transmits the information representing the notification result for one receiver at one communication.

Claim 40 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 38, wherein said notification step notifies the receivers which are designated by the transmission side that said reception step received the data.

Claim 41 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 38, wherein a case where the notification by said notification step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

Claim 42 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable medium encoded with a computer-readable program to be used by a data processing apparatus, the program when executed by the data processing apparatus performing processes comprising:

a reception step of receiving data designated to a receiver, from a transmission side;

a notification step of notifying the receiver that said reception step received the data;

a transmission step of transmitting information representing a notification result by said notification step, to the transmission side from which the data received by said reception step was transmitted;

a setting step of setting whether the transmission of the information representing the notification result by said transmission step based on an instruction by said data processing apparatus side is to be permitted or not,

wherein a setting result by said setting step is notified to the transmission side, and

wherein said transmission step does not transmit the information representing the notification result until said reception step receives a request from the transmission side from which the data received by said reception step was transmitted in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is not to be permitted, and transmits the information representing the notification result even without the request from the transmission side in a case where said setting step sets the transmission is to be permitted.

Claim 43 (Currently Amended) A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 42, wherein said setting step sets one of a first mode and a second mode and said transmission step performs the transmission in accordance with the mode set by said setting step.

Claim 44 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 43, wherein in the first mode said transmission step transmits one by one the information representing the notification results for a plurality of receivers by said notification step by plural-time communications, and in the second mode said transmission step transmits collectively the information representing the notification results for a plurality of receivers by said notification step by one-time communication.

Claim 45 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 42, wherein said transmission step generates a call on the basis of destination information included in the data received by said reception step.

Claim 46 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 42, wherein said notification step notifies the receiver which is designated by the transmission side that said reception step received the data.

Claim 47 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable ~~program~~ medium according to claim 42, wherein a case where the notification by said notification step was successful is a state where the receiver can obtain the data.

Claim 48-54 (Canceled).